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TITLE OF INVENTION: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR THE CENTRALLY TIGHTENING ROTATINGLY DRIVABLE PARTS

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| | Christopher W. Fulton | 2859 | | | |
| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. | | | | | |
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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art does not disclose or teach a rotating device that clamps, by at least three clamping means, a part centrally with at least two of the clamping means having actuators, a measuring device having two measuring pickups axially offset from each other to generate output data indicative of deviations of the part from concentricity with respect to the rotary axis, and a computing device coupled to the measuring pickups for receiving the output data and computing control data to control the actuators to radially adjust the part for concentricity along with the remaining limitations of the claims. The Bingham reference lacks the second set of measuring pickups and while the Pierce et al reference has a second set of pickups the second set is not for measuring concentricity..

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher W. Fulton whose telephone number is (571) 272-2242. The examiner can normally be reached on M-W,F 6:00-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dean A. Reichard can be reached on (571) 272-1984. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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